



LANCASHIRE SUPER SENIORS' GOLF TEAM

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TALKING SENIORS' GOLF: MARCH/APRIL 2018

The Newsletter of Lancashire Super Seniors

April signals the start of the golf season with the US Masters providing a blend of visual splendour and pulsating golf to stir the competitive juices amongst us all.

On this side of the pond, Spring is gradually emerging from Winter's harsh grasp and with the thoughts of eventual warmer weather and improved playing conditions to gee us up, our first outing of 2018 draws ever nearer.

A superb field of 38 at Stand GC on April 19th for the pre-season Get-Together tells how keen LSS players are to rub shoulders once again, both on and off the golf course, and Keith (G) has set up a day to look forward to, as can be seen below. We welcome two representatives on the day from the Isle of Man: Geoff Skillicorn and John McMullen, who are over on a pre-event recce for the 'Irish Sea Challenge' at Heysham GC on 26th July.

A fixture list of seventeen events, including fourteen matches, half of which are scratch matches, plus the Palatine Trophy at Davyhulme GC, allows everyone to test their mettle this year.

On the communications front, S&A's Paul Stanley is beavering away behind the scenes to develop the LSS web site and, talking of communications, we all need to be aware of the imminent arrival of the 2018 Data Protection Act.

2018 FIXTURE LIST:

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Match</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Match Captain</i>
1	19 th April	Pre-season get together	Stand GC	N/A
2	1 st May	Formby Hall GC Captain's Team*	Formby Hall GC	Andrew Walmsley
3	21 st May	SDGA Seniors*	Penwortham GC	Stuart Bourn
4	4 th June	Heysham Seniors	Heysham GC	Chris Millar
5	21 st June	Davyhulme Park Seniors	Davyhulme Park GC	Peter Hampsey
6	5 th July	Bury GA Seniors*	Stand GC	Jeff Clements
7	10 th July	Bentham Seniors	Bentham GC	Eric Ball
8	26 th July	Isle of Man Super Seniors*	Heysham GC	Keith Gardner
9	2 nd August	ELGA Seniors *	Stand GC	Ian Bond
10	13 th August	Morecambe Seniors	Morecambe GC	Colin Crumlin
11	20 th August	Cumbria Super Seniors*	Grange-o-Sands GC	Keith Hick
12	28 th August	Denton Seniors	Denton GC	Clive Wilson
13	3 rd Sept	Bolton GA Seniors*	Dunscar GC	Paul Stanley
14	11 th Sept	Silverdale Seniors	Silverdale GC	Keith Gardner
15	18 th Sept	LSS Palatine Trophy	Davyhulme Park GC	N/A
16	24 th Sept	Clitheroe Seniors	Clitheroe GC	Alan Williams
17	8 th October	End of Season Competition	Formby Ladies GC	N/A

*Scratch match

Team Kit:

Following the successful launch of the LSS team kit, several potential new items are on the starting blocks with prices being obtained from our supplier, each carrying the LSS logo, including:

- Baseball cap
- Visor
- Short sleeve wind/shower slipover

Feedback and expressions of interest are welcome, with orders being taken, beginning at Stand GC on 19th April at Stand GC. Keith (G) has a few LSS ties remaining, plus a LSS badged Glenmuir V neck sweater. Peter Darlington also has a LSS Glenmuir long sleeve zip front sweater, never worn, for sale.

PRE-SEASON GET-TOGETHER: Stand GC ; 19th April; 11.00am tee off:

Starting Sheet:

11.00am	Steve Walker (Houghwood) & Stuart Bourn (Stand)
11.10am	Keith Gardner (Stand) & Geoff Skillicorn (IOM); Keith Hick (Hesketh) & John McCullen (IOM)
11.20am	Eric Ball (S&A) & Rory Callan (Morecambe); Clive Appleby (Fairhaven) & Paul Thomas (Ormskirk)
11.30am	Andrew Walmsley (Clitheroe) & Paul Bennet (W Derby); Jeff Clements (Stand) & Doug Craig (D'hulme Park)
11.40am	Kevan Marden (Dunscar) & Chris Rogers (Hesketh); Ronnie Webster (Heysham) & David Ash (Fairhaven)
11.50am	Paul Stanley (S&A) & Dave Hodge (Hesketh); Clive Wilson (Hesketh) & Ian Bond (Dunscar)
12 noon	Chris Millar (S&A) & Brian Clark (Fairhaven); Jamie Haddow (Bolton OL) & Eddie Chesworth (Heysham)
12.10pm	Paul Morgan (W Derby) & Peter Hampsey (Heysham); Ian Cunningham (Manchester) & Dave Barr (Bolton)
12.20pm	Ken Stafford (Manchester) & Swamy Narayana (Clitheroe); Alan Swift (Hesketh) & Malcolm Evans (A-in-M'field)
12.30pm	Archie Crick (Hesketh) & Brian Lang (Bury); David Lomax (Flixton) & Paul Kelly (Formby)

With a current entry of 38 players for the second LSS season opener, Keith (G) is looking forward to welcoming everyone once again to his home club.

Please note that Keith (G) will be displaying the team sheets for all the 2018 season matches on a notice board in the Stand GC club house on the day. **NB:** Will all players please check their availability for the matches for which they have been selected. Should anyone find they cannot play in a particular match, please let Keith (G) know asap in order to secure a substitute.

LUGC PRESIDENT MIKE LAY OFF TO A WINNING START:

Mike started his year in office in style at Royal Birkdale on Sunday 25th March, when SDGA hosted the annual match for the John Dickinson Shield against the Rest of Lancashire (ROL) at Royal Birkdale. Winning five of the morning foursomes, ROL were pegged back in the afternoon as SDGA, who included British Seniors' Champion Bryan Hughes (Scr, Hesketh) in their line up, took seven of the twelve singles to leave the match score SDGA 7 ½ ROL 10 ½. The match, which kick starts the County's season, provides a showcase for current and emerging young talent across Lancashire and we wish Mike and the LUGC teams continued success during the coming season.



LUGC President, Mike Lay (centre) is flanked by Royal Birkdale Captain Niall O'Donnell (second right), SDGA Chairman Harry Tunnicliffe, SDGA Executive Secretary Keith Hick and SDGA Scratch Secretary, Roger Cox.

PALATINE TROPHY: DAVYHULME PARK GC; 18th September 2018:



Format for this inaugural event is as follows:

- 18 holes
- 4BBB pairs, 90% handicap
- Open to LSS players & selected host club officers, by invitation
- Catering: bacon rolls upon arrival; evening meal

To date, one prize has been donated, a framed original Antiquarian print of Lancashire dated 1725, graciously supplied by John Roberts. If anyone is aware of a defunct golf-related trophy, suitable for re-engraving, please contact either of the two Keith's.

Several Lancashire Seniors' stalwarts from earlier era's will hopefully joining us on the day for the après golf occasion, including Lancashire Seniors' President, Russell Hamer, Ian Woolley who contributed so much to the success enjoyed by Lancashire Seniors' during his time as Secretary and Albert Woodtli, one of the pioneering members of the Lancashire County Seniors team in the early 1980's, a member of Davyhulme Park GC, together with the Captain of Davyhulme Park GC, Mr David Marsden.

DATA PROTECTION ACT:

The storage and accessibility of personal data is to become more regulated from May 2018. In the first instance, all LSS players are requested to advise Keith (G) or Keith (H) by no later than 30th April 2018 should they not wish their contact details to be retained for the purpose of communication between players'.

2018 END OF SEASON COMPETITION; FORMBY LADIES' GC; 8TH OCTOBER

“A superb course in delightful surroundings, wholly set within Formby Men’s course, ideally suited to seniors golf”

A £300.00 deposit has now been lodged by Keith (H) with Formby Ladies GC for this year’s event on the above date. Package cost for the day’s golf and catering is £56/head, a slight reduction from the original quote, to which £4/head will added for modest prizes. Thanks to everyone who replied with a positive response for this venue and places are limited to a maximum of 36.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS:

As always, should anyone have any contributions, photographs, comments or suggestions for inclusion within future Newsletters, please contact either of the two Keith’s.

Best regards and happy golfing,

Keith Hick
Secretary
4th April 2018

Keith Gardner
Team Captain